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Diclytra Dielytra, Dicentra.—To verify references is always important. A little mistake was made in my Genera Illustrata, i, 120, and Manual, 61, through my inability to do so. Until now I possessed no copy of Römer's Archiv der Botanik, nor did I know of any copy in America. Relying upon Bernhardi, who in Linnaea, viii, 458, declared that Borkhausen's name *Diclytra* was a misprint, and that the name should be written *Dicentra*, I wrote in the Genera that the name in its original form was a slip or typographical error, but that the derivation was correctly given by Borkhausen. In the Manual the statement is similar. We have now Römer's Archiv, and the essential parts of Borkhausen's paper were reprinted by Pfeiffer, whose article is duly referred to by Watson in his Index. The correction I have to make is this. The error in Borkhausen's paper can hardly be typographical. Three times the name is printed Diclytra; and this is said to be composed of "615, zwey, und nλυτρον, Sporn." There is, of course, no such Greek word: the word "Sporn," spur, throws out Sprengel and Reichenbach's conjecture that ελυτρον was meant; that the printer could have changed Dicentra and $\kappa \ell \nu \tau \rho \rho \nu$ into Diclytra and $\kappa \lambda \nu \tau \rho \rho \nu$ seems most unlikely. It is more probable that Borkhausen fancied there was such a word.

There is diversity in the orthography of Borkhausen's name. In Römer's Archiv the name appears as Borckhausen, and it is so given by Bernhardi: it is so printed on the title page of his own Botanisches Wörterbuch. But Endlicher, Pritzel, and the Royal Society's Catalogue write Borkhausen, and Pfeiffer, in Bot. Zeitung, noticing the two forms, adopts this as the more correct. A. GRAY.

Sporting Trillium grandiflorum.—The note on the \$ 281. forms of Trillium grandiflorum collected by Mr. Shoop, which I contributed to the November No. of the Bulletin, has brought to me a letter from an old correspondent, Mr. E. L. Hankenson, of Newark, Wayne Co., N. Y., along with a remarkable series of abnormal variations of the same species. They all have conspicuously petioled leaves; and this peculiarity is the only abnormal feature in some of the specimens, except the smaller size which is common to all of them. But the acute base and acuminate apex of every leaf keeps them all apart from T. nivale. The same clump furnishes specimens: 1, with a whorl of three petioled leaves in the ordinary position; 2, with peduncle as a naked scape, and two very long petioled leaves from the root-stock along with the scape; 3, the same with a solitary leaf of this sort. These variations are rather common in Mr. Hankenson's observation. Monstrous forms with chlorosed perianth are common. In one of these the tip of a rootstock sends up two filiform stems, side by side: one of them terminates in a whorl of three long-petioled leaves, the petioles of about the length of the blade; the other is terminated by a blossom with foliaceous (green and white) petals, imperfect stamens and a more depauperate imperfect pistil. Other leafless flower-stems bear only a depauperate green flower; the perianth of six similar green leaves; the stamens not transformed but abortive as to pollen; the pistil sometimes reduced